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## MAKING A GUMSHOE CAMPAIGN.

Without any disparagement of the avowed Republican candidates seeking the presidential nomination it is interesting to observe the method of the Lowden managers. The Illinois favorite son is not blowing off any steam or trumpeting the merits of his candidacy but he is making one of the best campaigns that was ever organized for such an event as that which will reach fruition within the next month. As a primary candidate Lowden does not appear to have made much of an impression. This due to his policy of playing a waiting game and one that may land the majority vote of the Chicago convention. As an exponent of the primary law he is not a howling success upon one who does not imply that he has not the faintest idea of making a magnetic finish at the proper time. The favorite son will have three little minutes when the roll call is heard for the first, second, third and fourth time. After that war! If you have your ears to the ground you will hear something drop with all the emphasis of a tornado that is not heard until it breaks in an unsuspecting community. The strategy of the Lowden campaign is just beginning to be understood. The managers are sending friends without antagonizing any of the partisan elements on the theory that when the smoke clears in the convention there will be no real signs of hate and no animosities to allay. While other candidates have been going after the primaries the Lowden managers have been establishing friendly relations with the delegates in an unobtrusive way without any apparent effort to advance the interests of a candidate. There is no waste of energy, there is no extravagant display of money to arouse hostility or bring the unwelcome delegates around the peak barrel to help defray their expenses to the tent which will be opened in Chicago on June 28th. It has been a glad hand showdown without any bidding for votes which would have disclosed the hand of the Illinois man in a manner that would react on him in the convention. Lowden feels his strength as the business man whose name carries a psychological impulse that borders on fatalism. Mr. Lowden may not get there but that assumption or conjecture has nothing to do with the methods of his managers who are busy themselves in every state where an impression is to be made. In California where the primaries were virtually limited to two men there was nothing said about Lowden but as soon as the smoke of battle cleared away and before the official count was certified, Lowden agents were busy getting acquainted. The southern states have to be reckoned with as a factor that may hold the balance of power and it is said that Lowden has been cultivating the men from the stronghold of the Democracy with great assiduity. Never has the favorite son string tied up so many delegates. In the table compiled by one of the keenest observers of national politics it is shown that 279 delegates are pledged or in honor bound to cast at least one ballot for favorite sons whose vote is too light to even class them as dark horses. Under such conditions it is apparent that the first ballot will not tell much more than what is now known. Coolidge, of Massachusetts, is considered the most dangerous of the favorite son bunch for he can have practically the whole of New England back of him for the asking. He is another gumshoe campaigner who may spring into prominence after the formalities of the convention are dispatched and the work of veteran managers is brought into the limelight. The Chicago convention is filled with interesting possibilities that will bring out the resourcefulness of the leaders.

## ELEVENTH HOUR ATONEMENT.

It is a rather late day for one of the wheelhorses of the administration to hurl accusations against the majority in Congress by raising the cry of profiteering. Senator Walsh declares that all the unrest of the nation is due to exorbitant profits exacted by merchants and manufacturers. The attack is made with the ostensible purpose of building up a man of straw whose effigy may be knocked down as the target of the presidential campaign. The Massachusetts man cited dividends paid by leading manufacturers but he failed to state that the greatest evidence of profiteering emanates from his own state where the American Woollens company managed to declare some twenty million dollars in dividends while deploring the high cost of living that prevented their employees from saving anything out of their big wages. The charge that the Republican party has been or is instrumental in abetting the reign of profiteers is about as tangible as the charge that the Congressional majority of the past two years had anything to do with the failure of the United States to buy the Cuban sugar crop when it was offered this country on the basis of 6 1/2 cents a pound, even though it was seen at that time that the product was likely to be hoisted to unheard of prices. The figures show that since the era of high prices set in the price of sugar has gone up 324 per cent. Of all the increases that of sugar has been the greatest and most outrageous. Clothing prices have been elevated 177 per cent. Profiteers in cotton goods in 1919 made profits seven times greater than those made in 1917 and sheet steel and tin mills made profits of 1000 per cent. The speculation in cotton and cotton goods has been open, flagrant and scandalous. The spread between cotton on the farm and that of ordinary cotton goods such as bedding, muslins and gingham averaged 1800 per cent. The vicious system by which an endless chain was evolved began with the Wilson administration extending special favors to the cotton growers. The example was not lost on others who reasoned that if the government sanctioned profiteering for the benefit of the southern cotton growers there was no harm in others handling the finished product in sharing the rascally profits. The fact that high prices were the direct offshoot of a reckless administration is seen in the action of the managers of the leading department stores of the United States advertising sacrificial rates in anticipation of the advent of a Republican administration. These astute managers see that the end of their huncamung game is

near and that prices must take a tumble as soon as the influence of the Democracy, in making laws for impoverishing the poor is fast approaching dissolution. Omaha, Philadelphia and Chicago stores have taken the hint and there is a general housecleaning with a view to unloading shelves bulging with goods marked up any where from 500 to 1800 per cent above a reasonable profit. San Francisco and Sacramento have taken the hint and cleaning sales are all the rage. The turn in the tide has come but it did not come until the tottering administration showed signs of collapse.

## EAST IS BUYING OIL ACREAGE

Recent reports from Nevada indicating the prospect of developing oil at several points in this state have stirred up eastern investors who are ready to take a chance on the possibility of bringing in a well. Harry C. Stimler returned this morning from Fallon where he went in the interest of clients in Boston who urged him to get in on the ground floor before the big rush began. Stimler managed to secure 1200 acres by the Stillwater desert where he reports the best oil activity and everything looking bright. He says the enthusiasm is so great that old experienced oil men from California say there is not a doubt about the district making good. In proof of their faith these men quote of whom are drillers, are taking options on blocks of stock extending over periods of six and nine months payable on account of a lease. The options are taken at

## ELY'S MINE SCHOOL SUSPENDS COURSES

The Ely School of Mines officially closed Saturday. All courses given in the school were suspended about a week ago. The equipment is being packed part of it to be taken to Merrill and Ruth for use in vocational courses to be started there, and part of it will be stored, says the Ely Times.

Three years ago the school was established, then being an extension branch of the University of Nevada. The school was equipped with laboratory materials and apparatus valued at about \$2,500, and courses in fire assaying, wet apparatus, surveying, mineralogy, draughting, geology, chemistry and mathematics were given to the students. The courses were all free. The only other regular schools of mines in Nevada are at Tonopah, Goldfield and Virginia City.

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